

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AUDIT EXAMINATION OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY FISCAL COURT

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

AUDIT EXAMINATION OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY FISCAL COURT

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

The Auditor of Public Accounts has completed the Montgomery County Fiscal Court audit for fiscal year ended June 30, 2000. We have issued an unqualified opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. Based upon the audit work performed, the financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects.

Debt Obligations:

Total bonded debt principal as of June 30, 2000, was \$705,156. Future collections of \$1,091,107 are needed over the next 14 years to pay all bonded debt and principal.

Capital lease principal agreements totaled \$398,805 as of June 30, 2000.

Deposits:

The fiscal court's deposits were insured and collateralized by bank securities or bonds.

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CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



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Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets, liabilities, and fund balances arising from cash transactions of Montgomery County, Kentucky, as of June 30, 2000, and the related statement of cash receipts, cash disbursements, and changes in cash balances for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Montgomery County Fiscal Court. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the <u>Audit Guide for Fiscal Court Audits</u> issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Montgomery County, Kentucky, prepares its financial statements on a prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the modified cash basis and laws of Kentucky. Under this basis of accounting, assets, liabilities, and related revenues and expenditures are recorded when they result from cash transactions, with a few exceptions. This modified cash basis recognizes revenues when received, except for the recording of long-term receivables and deferred revenue. Expenditures are recognized when paid, except for the recording of long-term obligations and amounts to be provided in future years. The modified cash basis accounting system does not require an entity to maintain a general fixed asset group or a general long-term debt group of accounts. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements are not intended to present financial position and results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities, and fund balances arising from cash transactions of Montgomery County, Kentucky, and the related statement of cash receipts, cash disbursements, and changes in cash balances as of and for the year ended June 30, 2000, in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting described above.

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In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated March 28, 2001 on our consideration of Montgomery County, Kentucky's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The accompanying financial information listed as supporting schedules in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements of Montgomery County, Kentucky. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward B. Hatchett, Jr. Auditor of Public Accounts

Audit fieldwork completed - March 28, 2001

MONTGOMERY COUNTY OFFICIALS

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

Fiscal Court Members:

B. D. Wilson County Judge/Executive

F. M. Sponcil Commissioner

Tom Prewitt Commissioner

Lloyd Cassidy Commissioner

Other Elected Officials:

Paul Cowden County Attorney

Everett Dwayne Myers Jailer

Judy Long Witt County Clerk

Fred Shortridge Sheriff

Jeff Garrison Property Valuation Administrator

Wallace Johnson Coroner

Appointed Personnel:

Brenda Mapel County Treasurer

Kaye Rogers Occupational Tax Collector

Brenda Jackson Finance Officer



STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS

MONTGOMERY COUNTY STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS

June 30, 2000

Assets and Other Resources	
<u>Assets</u>	
General Fund Type	
General Fund:	
Cash \$ 130,2	
Investments 1,300,0	00
Road and Bridge Fund:	
Cash 52,1	44
Jail Fund:	
Cash 5,9	23
Payroll Revolving Account - Cash	1 \$ 1,488,279
Special Revenue Fund Type	
Finneran Fund:	
Cash \$ 9,3	00
Investments 75,0	00
Health and Civic Center Fund:	
Cash 84,6	04
Investments 150,0	00
Revolving Loan Fund:	
Cash 118,7	40
Investments 50,0	<u>00</u> 487,644
Other Resources	
General Fund Type	
General Fund:	
Amounts to be Provided in Future Years for Annex General	
Lease Obligations - (Note 5)	398,805
Lease Congulous - (Note 3)	370,003
Jail Fund:	
Amounts to be Provided in Future Years for Jail	
Bond Principal Payments (Note 4)	705,156
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Total Assets and Other Resources	\$ 3,079,884

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

\$ 3,079,884

MONTGOMERY COUNTY STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS June 30, 2000 (Continued)

Total Liabilities and Fund Balances

Liabilities and Fund Balances		
<u>Liabilities</u>		
General Fund Types		
General Fund:		
Capital Lease Obligation - (Note 5)	\$ 705,156	
Jail Fund:		
Bond Principal Payments (Note 4)	398,805	
Payroll Revolving Account - Cash	1	\$ 1,103,962
Fund Balances		
Unreserved:		
General Fund Type		
General Fund	\$ 1,430,211	
Road and Bridge Fund	52,144	
Jail Fund	 5,923	1,488,278
Special Revenue Fund Type		
Finneran Fund	\$ 84,300	
Health and Civic Center Fund	234,604	
Revolving Loan Fund	 168,740	 487,644



STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES

MONTGOMERY COUNTY STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

		Totals			I	Road and		
	(M	emorandum		General		Bridge		
Receipts		Only)		Fund		Fund		Jail Fund
_								
Schedule of Operating Revenue	\$	5,766,503	\$	3,587,625	\$	700,691	\$	1,147,716
Other Financing Sources: Transfers In		999,269		100,000		600,000		244,725
Kentucky Advance Revenue Program		1,980,220		1,980,220		000,000		244,723
Rentucky Advance Revenue Flogram		1,900,220		1,960,220				
Total Cash Receipts	\$	8,745,992	\$	5,667,845	\$	1,300,691	\$	1,392,441
Cash Disbursements								
Comparative Schedule of Final Budget								
and Budgeted Expenditures	\$	5,679,099	\$	2,807,061	\$	1,176,019	\$	1,364,050
Other Financing Uses:								
Transfers Out		999,269		899,269		100,000		
Jail Capital Lease Obligation:								
Principal		27,757						27,757
Annex Capital Lease Obligation:								
Principal		73,109		73,109				
Kentucky Advance Revenue Program								
Repaid		1,980,220		1,980,220				
Total Cash Disbursements	\$	8,759,454	_\$_	5,759,659	\$	1,276,019	\$	1,391,807
Excess (Deficiency) of Cash Receipts								
Over (Under) Cash Disbursements	\$	(13,462)	\$	(91,814)	\$	24,672	\$	634
Cash Balance - July 1, 1999 *		1,989,384	**	1,522,025		27,472		5,289
Cash Balance - June 30, 2000 *	\$	1,975,922	\$	1,430,211	\$	52,144	\$	5,923
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^{*} Cash Balance Includes Investments

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

^{**}Does not agree to prior year ending balance due to prior year voided checks.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000 (Continued)

General

Fund	d Types	Spe	cial Reven	ue F	und Types						
Local Government Economic Assistance Fund		Finneran Fund			Health and Emergency Civic Food and Center Shelter Fund Fund		J	uvenile Justice Fund	R	evolving Loan Fund	
\$	79,957	\$	3,693	\$	136,344	\$	9,786	\$	25,770	\$	74,921
									54,544		
\$	79,957	\$	3,693	\$	136,344	\$	9,786	\$	80,314	\$	74,921
\$	79,957	\$	900	\$	137,838	\$	9,786	\$	80,314	\$	23,174
\$	79,957	\$	900	\$	137,838	\$	9,786	\$	80,314	\$	23,174
\$	0	\$	2,793 81,507	\$	(1,494) 236,098	\$	0	\$	0	\$	51,747 116,993

MONTGOMERY COUNTY NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2000

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

The financial statements of Montgomery County include the funds, agencies, boards, and entities for which the fiscal court is financially accountable. Financial accountability, as defined by Section 2100 of the GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, as amended by GASB 14, was determined on the basis of the government's ability to significantly influence operations, select the governing authority, participate in fiscal management and the scope of public service. Based upon the application of the criteria stated in GASB 14, there are no component units which merit consideration as part of the reporting entity.

Additional – Montgomery County Constitutional Elected Officials

- Circuit Court Clerk
- County Attorney
- County Clerk
- County Sheriff
- Property Valuation Administrator

The Kentucky constitution provides for election of the above officials from the geographic area constituting Montgomery County. Pursuant to state statute, these officials perform various services for the Commonwealth of Kentucky, its judicial courts, the fiscal court, various cities and special districts within the county, and the board of education. In exercising these responsibilities, however, they are required to comply with state laws. Audits of their financial statements are issued separately and individually and can be obtained from their respective administrative offices.

B. Fund Accounting

Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. The government uses funds to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Montgomery County Fiscal Court's Fund Types, a definition of each, and county funds included within each fund type are listed below.

1) General Fund Type

General Fund Type accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund type. The Montgomery County General Fund Type includes the following county funds: General Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Jail Fund, Local Government Economic Assistance Fund (LGEA).

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

B. Fund Accounting (Continued)

2) Special Revenue Fund Type

Special Revenue Fund Type accounts for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for the specified purpose. The Finneran Fund, the Health and Civic Center Fund, the Emergency Food and Shelter Fund, the Juvenile Justice Fund, and the Revolving Loan Fund of the Fiscal Court are reported as Special Revenue Fund Types.

C. Basis of Accounting

For all fund types, the county utilizes a modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Under this basis of accounting, assets, liabilities, and related revenues and expenditures are recorded when they result from cash transactions, with a few exceptions. This modified cash basis recognizes revenues when received, except for the recording of long-term receivables and deferred revenue. Expenditures are recognized when paid, except for the recording of long-term obligations and amounts to be provided in future years.

D. Legal Compliance - Budget

The Montgomery County budget is adopted on a cash basis of accounting and according to the laws of Kentucky as required by the State Local Finance Officer. The County Judge/Executive is required to submit estimated receipts and proposed expenditures to the fiscal court by May 1 of each year. The budget is prepared by fund, function, and activity and is required to be adopted by the fiscal court by July 1.

The fiscal court may change the original budget by transferring appropriations at the activity level; however, the fiscal court may not increase the total budget without approval by the State Local Finance Officer. Expenditures may not exceed budgeted appropriations at the activity level.

E. Cash and Investments

Cash includes amounts in bank accounts, and investments are stated at cost. Investments may include certificates of deposit on the financial statements; however, for the purpose of disclosing credit risk (Note 3), investments exclude certificates of deposit.

KRS 66.480 authorizes the county to invest in the following, including but not limited to, obligations of the United States and of its agencies and instrumentalities, obligations and contracts for future delivery or purchase of obligations backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, obligations of any corporation of the United States government, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of this state, and certificates of deposit issued by or other interest-bearing accounts of any bank or savings and loan institution which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or which are collateralized, to the extent uninsured, by any obligation permitted by KRS 41.240(4).

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

F. Related Organizations

A related organization is an entity for which a primary government is not financially accountable. It does not impose will or have a financial benefit or burden relationship, even if the primary government appoints a voting majority of the related organization's governing board. Based on these criteria, the following is considered a related organization of Montgomery County Fiscal Court: Jail Commissary.

Note 2. Employee Retirement System

The county has elected to participate in the County Employees Retirement System (CERS), pursuant to KRS 78.530 administered by the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement System. This is a multiple-employer public retirement system which covers all eligible full-time employees. Benefit contributions and provisions are established by statute. Nonhazardous covered employees are required to contribute 5 percent of their salary to the plan. The county's contribution rate for nonhazardous employees was 7.28 percent.

Benefits fully vest on reaching five years of service for nonhazardous employees. Aspects of benefits for nonhazardous employees include retirement after 27 years of service or age 65.

Historical trend information showing the CERS' progress in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due is present in the Kentucky Retirement System's annual financial report.

Note 3. Deposits

The county maintained deposits of public funds with depository institutions insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). According to KRS 66.480(1)(d) and KRS 41.240(4), the depository institution should pledge or provide sufficient collateral which, together with FDIC insurance, equals or exceeds the amount of public funds on deposit at all times. In order to be valid against the FDIC in the event of failure or insolvency of the depository institution, this pledge or provision of collateral should be evidenced by an agreement between the county and the depository institution, signed by both parties, that is (a) in writing, (b) approved by the board of directors of the depository institution or its loan committee, which approval must be reflected in the minutes of the board or committee, and (c) an official record of the depository institution. These requirements were met, and as of June 30, 2000, the county's deposits were fully insured or collateralized at a 100% level with collateral of either pledged securities held by the county's agent in the county's name, or provided surety bonds which named the county as beneficiary/obligee on the bonds.

Note 4. Long-Term Participation Agreement

The Kentucky Local Correctional Facilities Construction Authority, an independent corporate agency and instrumentality of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, issues revenue bonds for the purpose of construction and reconstruction of jail facilities. The Authority issued \$3,980,885 of revenue bonds at various interest rates, of which the county has agreed to pay \$961,340 principal and a proportional share of interest on the issue. Revenue bonds outstanding as of June 30, 2000, totaled \$705,156.

Due Date	~	cheduled Interest	Scheduled Principal			
		_				
2000-2001	\$	43,778	\$	29,517		
2001-2002		41,847		31,389		
2002-2003		39,793		33,379		
2003-2004		37,610	35,49			
2004-2005		35,287	37,74			
2005-2014		187,636	537,62			
Totals	\$	385,951	\$	705,156		

Note 5. Lease-Purchase Agreements

The county entered into a lease purchase agreement on June 2, 1995, with Kentucky Association of Counties Leasing Trust for renovation of the courthouse annex. The original principal was \$750,000. The interest rate is 4% and termination date is June 1, 2005. The principal outstanding as of June 30, 2000 is \$398,805.

	Scheduled			
Due Date	P	rincipal		
2000-2001	\$	76,066		
2001-2002		74,635		
2002-2003		83,360		
2003-2004		87,259		
2004-2005		77,485		
Totals	\$	398,805		

Note 6. Insurance

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2000, Montgomery County was a member of the Kentucky Association of Counties' All Lines Insurance Fund (KALF). KALF is a self-insurance fund and was organized to obtain lower cost coverage for general liability, property damage, public officials' errors and omissions, public liability, and other damages. The basic nature of a self-insurance program is that of a collectively shared risk by its members. If losses incurred for covered claims exceed the resources contributed by the members, the members are responsible for payment of the excess losses.

Note 7. Jail Canteen Fund

The canteen operations are authorized pursuant to KRS 441.135(1)(2), which allows the jailer to sell snacks, sodas, and other items to inmates. The profits generated from the sale of those items are to be used for the benefit or recreation of the inmates. KRS 68.210 requires the jailer to maintain accounting records and report annually to the county treasurer the receipts and disbursements of the Jail Canteen. Technical Audit Bulletins 93-002 and 97-001 provide additional accounting and expenditure guidance for acceptable jail canteen operations.

The Montgomery County Jail Canteen Fund had a beginning balance of \$40,980 with total receipts of \$102,964 and expenditures of \$110,018 leaving an ending balance of \$33,926 at June 30, 2000. All profit expenditures were for the benefit and/or recreation of the inmates.

COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF BUDGETED TO ACTUAL OPERATING REVENUE

MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF BUDGETED TO ACTUAL OPERATING REVENUE

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

Budgeted Funds	Ope	geted rating enue	•	ual rating enue	Ove (Un Bud	der)
General Fund Type						
General Fund Road and Bridge Fund Jail Fund Local Government Economic Assistance Fund	\$	3,141,955 669,467 1,117,305 86,742	\$	3,587,625 700,691 1,147,716 79,957	\$	445,670 31,224 30,411 (6,785)
Special Revenue Fund Type						
Finneran Fund Health and Civic Center Fund Emergency Food and Shelter Fund Juvenile Justice Fund Revolving Loan Fund		3,682 129,861 9,786 7,500 73,323		3,693 136,344 9,786 25,770 74,921		11 6,483 18,270 1,598
Totals	\$	5,239,621	\$	5,766,503	\$	526,882
Reconciliation						
Total Budgeted Operating Revenue Above Add: Budgeted Prior Year Surplus					\$	5,239,621 2,427,252
Total Operating Budget Per Comparative Schedule Of Final Budget and Budgeted Expenditures					\$	7,666,873



SCHEDULE OF OPERATING REVENUE

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SCHEDULE OF OPERATING REVENUE

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

	Totals (Memorandum Only)		General Fund Type		R	Special Revenue and Type
REVENUE:						
Taxes	\$	2,922,598	\$	2,922,598	\$	
Excess Fees		249,523		249,523		
License and Permits		82,468		82,468		
Intergovernmental Revenues		1,998,589		1,932,672		65,917
Charges for Services		40,042		26,313		13,729
Miscellaneous Revenues		334,228		180,819		153,409
Interest Earned		139,055		121,596		17,459
Total Operating Revenue	\$	5,766,503	\$	5,515,989	\$	250,514



COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF FINAL BUDGET AND BUDGETED EXPENDITURES

MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF FINAL BUDGET AND BUDGETED EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

	GENERAL FUND TYPE					
Expenditure Categories	Final Budget		Budgeted Expenditures			Under (Over) Budget
General Government Protection to Persons and Property General Health and Sanitation Social Services Recreation and Culture Roads Airports Debt Service Administration	\$	1,276,245 1,379,439 184,998 34,700 75,000 1,271,227 25,000 201,186 2,515,146	\$	1,274,403 1,273,849 136,457 30,670 56,770 1,142,821 97,950 1,414,167	\$	1,842 105,590 48,541 4,030 18,230 128,406 25,000 103,236 1,100,979
Total Operating Budget - All General Fund Types	\$	6,962,941	\$	5,427,087	\$	1,535,854
Other Financing Uses: Borrowed Money- Kentucky Advanced Revenue Program - Principal Annex Capital Lease Agreement- Principal on Lease		2,000,000		1,980,220 73,109		19,780 (3,269)
Jail Capital Lease Agreement- Principal on Lease		21,706		27,757		(6,051)
TOTAL BUDGET - ALL GENERAL FUND TYPES	\$	9,054,487	\$	7,508,173	\$	1,546,314

MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF FINAL BUDGET AND BUDGETED EXPENDITURES Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000 (Continued)

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPE						
		Final	В	udgeted		Under (Over)	
Expenditure Categories		Budget		Expenditures		Budget	
Protection to Persons and Property	\$	92,500	\$	80,314	\$	12,186	
General Health and Sanitation		298,000		124,849		173,151	
Social Services		9,786		9,786			
Capital Projects		8,462		900		7,562	
Administration		295,184		36,163		259,021	
TOTAL BUDGET - SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPE	\$	703.932	\$	252.012	\$	451.920	

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS



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Report On Compliance And On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting Based On An Audit Of Financial Statements Performed In Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

We have audited the financial statements of Montgomery County, Kentucky, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated March 28, 2001. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Montgomery County's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Montgomery County's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Report On Compliance And On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting Based On An Audit Of Financial Statements Performed In Accordance With Government Auditing Standards (Continued)

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than the specified party.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward B. Hatchett, Jr. Auditor of Public Accounts

Audit fieldwork completed - March 28, 2001

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

MONTGOMERY COUNTY FISCAL COURT

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

LOCAL GOVERNMENT LCONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROCRAM

MONTGOMERY COUNTY FISCAL COURT

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